

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph beginning on Page 4, spanning lines 8-22 with the following rewritten paragraph:

A1
In the contents retrieval system according to the present invention as mentioned above, it is also preferable that said retrieval request receiving means sets up as to whether there is a need to inform a user by an electronic mail of the fact that a retrieval result is obtained at the time point when the retrieval result as one of the processing conditions is obtained by said contents retrieval means, so that the set up result is registered with said retrieval management table, and said contents retrieval means ~~12~~ informs the user by an electronic mail of the fact that the retrieval result is obtained in the event that the thumb-nail image is needed in accordance with the set up result as to whether there is a need to inform the user by the electronic mail registered with said retrieval management table.

Please replace the paragraph on Page 11, spanning lines 18-23 with the following rewritten paragraph:

A2
The computer system shown in Fig. 3 further comprises a hard disk ~~121~~~~120~~ accessed by the hard disk controller 113, a mouse 104 controlled by the mouse controller 116, a keyboard 103 controlled by the keyboard controller 117, and a CRT display 102 controlled by the display controller 118.

Please replace the paragraph on Page 17, line 26 to page 18, line 4 with the following rewritten paragraph:

A3
The retrieval limit set up column 22g is for setting up a limit of a site to be retrieved, and is able to set up as to such a ~~matter~~~~matter~~ that a limit of a site to be retrieved is restricted to the

A3 associated site, the internal site, the designated countries, or the whole world, or alternatively contents site only or free image only.

Please replace the paragraph on Page 19, spanning lines 2-9 with the following rewritten paragraph:

A4 The retrieval request receiving means 11 (cf. Fig. 4) monitors whether a user depresses the retrieval reservation button 22m (a step S05). In the ~~even~~-event that the retrieval reservation button 22m is depressed, the process goes to a step S06. In the ~~even~~-event that the retrieval reservation button 22m is not depressed, the process returns to the step S04 in which a display of the retrieval screen 22 is continued.
